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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 25,734; Week ago 24,897; Year ago 21,182 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. S7	TEERS:	<u>Fdr. HI</u>	EIFERS:	Hols. S	TEERS
359 lbs.	145.51	368 lbs.	133.29	353 lbs.	112.27
456 lbs.	134.71	451 lbs.	126.42	457 lbs.	106.29
544 lbs.	126.64	544 lbs.	119.66	557 lbs.	100.19
639 lbs.	121.97	639 lbs.	114.44	642 lbs.	96.37
745 lbs.	114.59	748 lbs.	105.87	744 lbs.	89.78
867 lbs.	108.03	839 lbs.	95.34	850 lbs.	86.09
938 lbs.	100.06	917 lbs.	94.81	1027 lbs.	76.50

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts 6325; Week ago 5366; Year ago 3316

Compared to last week steers 3.00 to 8.00 lower spots 10.00 lower and heifers 2.00 to 6.00 lower spots 8.00 lower. Slaughter Cows steady to 2.00 lower.

STEERS: Medium and Large 1			<u>FERS</u> : and Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-825 lbs.	137.00-153.00 120.00-135.00 115.00-139.00 112.00-125.00 109.50-115.50 104.25-108.50	300-400 lbs 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	127.00-135.00 115.00-132.50 110.00-121.50 105.00-116.50 105.00-111.00 95.00-98.50	
Large 3 H Pkg 364 lbs. 449-515 lbs. 550-600 lbs. 800-850 lbs.	107.00 96.50-100.00 85.00-93.50 80.00-85.00	SLAUGHTER C Breaking and Bo lean) 53.00-58.00 57.00-63.00. Lea 50.00-56.00, low 50.00.	ning (70-85% 0, high dressing an (85-90%)	
SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1100-2150 lbs., 65.00-73.50, high dressing 72.50-76.50, low dressing/some fleshy or full 60.00-65.50. COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs, 980-1285		REPLACEMEN' Medium and Lar 900-1400 lbs 2nd 900.00-1050.00. baldie 940.00-11 single lots 1000-880.00 per head.	ge 1-2, 2-7 yrs, I to 3rd stage, Several blks/blk 10.00. Several	

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lbs., with babies to 250 lb. calves,

990.00-1250.00 per pair.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 6300, week ago 7730, year ago 729 Cow and Bull Receipts 950; week ago 930; year ago 807 Dairy Cattle Receipts 824; Springfield 08/24/04

Compared to last week steers 3.00 to 6.00 lower, heifers steady to 3.00 lower. Slaughter cows 1.00 to 2.00 lower, bulls fully steady.

<u>STEERS:</u>		<u>HEIF</u>	ERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium a	nd Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 900-1000 lbs.	140.00-143.00 131.00-138.00 121.00-133.00 110.00-126.00 107.00-114.00 96.75	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	132.00-146.00 119.00-135.00 110.00-126.50 110.00-119.00 99.00-110.00 95.00-96.50	

Large Frame 3		Springer Heifers: Supreme
800-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 500-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	110.00-125.00 111.00-118.00 101.00-107.00 94.50-100.00 89.00-93.50 85.50-89.00 76.50	1890.00-2100.00, Ind. Crossbred 1785.00, Approved 1500.00- 1600.00, Bred Heifers 4 to 6 months Supreme 1700.00- 2050.00, Approved 1435.00- 1675.00. Open Heifers; Approved 700-800 lbs 1025.00-1300.00, 600-700 lbs 1075.00-1235.00, 500-600 lbs 825.00-885.00, Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 300.00- 380.00. Bulls 130.00-175.00

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 1000-1350 lbs, 2 to 7 yrs, 3rd stage, 925.00-1200.00 per head.

HOLSTEINS:

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1000-1300 lbs. with 150-375 lb calves, few rebred, 1100.00-1375.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 55.00-60.50, high dressing 61.00-64.50 Lean (85-90%) 51.00-57.00.

Dairy Cattle Sales

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1365-2085 lbs., 72.00-76.50, high dressing 78.50-82.00, low dressing or fleshy 68.50-70.00.

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 13,230; Week ago 10,309; Year ago 9189 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts steady to 1.00 lower. Sows 1.00 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS: Base carcass meat prices 64.00-Weekly top price Wednesday

67.00

300-500 lbs 37.00-42.00 Over 500 lbs 43.00-44.00.

WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Kingsville and Sedalia)

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Receipts 1924; Week ago 2513; Year ago 1884

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Compared to last week feeder calves under 500 lbs steady to 5.00 higher, other offerings 2.00 to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls 2.00 lower to 1.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> :	
Medium and Large 1& 1-2		Medium and Large 1 & 1-2	
300-400 lbs 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	140.00-159.00 131.00-151.00 122.00-141.50 117.00-130.00 111.00-122.00	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	130.00-156.00 123.00-152.00 118.00-130.50 113.00-118.00 99.50-110.00
REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 5 yrs to ss, 1100-1410 lbs, 1st to 2nd stage, 855.00-960.00 per head.		SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 53.25-59.50, high dressing 59.25-66.50, Lean (85-90%) 48.50-56.50.	
COW & CALF PA and Large 1-2, 3-7 lbs, with 150 to 30 1135.00-1420.00 p	yrs, 800-1420 00 lb calves,	SLAUGHTER E Yield Grade 1-2, 68.25-76.00.	

EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, and Boonville) Receipts 3782; Week ago 3501; Year ago; 5247

Compared to last week feeders steady to 10.00 lower. Slaughter cows weak to 2.00 lower.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1 & 1-2			HEIFERS: Large 1 & 1-2
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	135.00-158.50 125.00-148.50 120.00-140.50 115.00-135.25 105.50-124.75 95.50-107.50	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	125.00-135.00 115.00-140.00 110.00-130.00 110.00-128.50 105.00-107.00
SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Select and Low Choice 2-3, 78.25-82.50.		SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 48.00-58.00, high dressing 55.00- 60.00, low dressing 44.00-54.00	
SLAUGHTER H High Select and 1 77.50-82.00.		SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1200- 74.00, high dress	-2200 lbs, 64.00-

NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, New Cambria, and Green City)
Feeder Cattle Receipts 1938; Week ago 417; Year ago 1504
Slaughter Cattle Receipts 88; Week ago 230; Year ago 122
Compared to last week steers under 500 lbs 5.00-10.00 lower, over
3.00-5.00 lower, believe steedy to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower. Slaughter steers and heifers 2.00-3.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1-2		FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 & 1-2	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	135.00-152.00 125.00-142.75 121.00-135.00 119.50-130.00 110.25-119.75 106.10-109.00	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	134.00-135.00 113.50-134.50 110.50-124.25 108.25-117.75 108.20-112.85 scarce
SLAUGHTER ST 2-3, 1100-1400 lb		SLAUGHTER C and Boning (70- 63.50, low dress	85% lean) 56.00-
<u>SLAUGHTER H</u> 2-3, 950-1300 lbs		SLAUGHTER E Grade 1-2, 1250- 72.75.	<u>BULLS:</u> Yield -2200 lbs. 66.00-

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Patton Junction and Fruitland)

Receipts 1880; Week ago 1610; Year ago 1189

Compared to last week, steers and heifers under 600 lbs 4.00-8.00 lower, over 600 lbs steady to 3.00 lower. Slaughter Cows 1.00 lower and Bulls 3.00 lower.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1-2		FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1-2	
250-300 lbs 300-400 lbs. 400-450 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	136.00-152.00 125.00-155.00 113.50-133.00 110.00-126.00 104.00-119.50	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs.	125.00-137.50 115.00-130.50 111.00-124.50 105.00-119.50 99.00-110.00
700-775 lbs. 800-825 lbs. REPLACEMEN	104.00-110.00 97.00-104.00	700-800 lbs. 800-825 lbs.	99.00-110.00 90.00-105.00 100.00-105.50 COWS: Breaking
Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs 810-1330 lbs in 2nd to 3rd stage 720.00-940.00 per head.		and Boning (70-85% lean) 48.50-55.50, high dressing 54.00-65.00, Lean (85-90%) 40.50-45.50.	
2 , ,		SLAUGHTER F Grade 1-2, 1440 69.25, high dress	-2000 lbs 58.00-

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba and Vienna)

Receipts 2906; Week ago 3552; Year ago 2586

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

Compared to last week steers and heifers 2.00 to 8.00 lower, with some under 450 lbs 10.00 lower. Slaughter Cows steady to 1.00 lower.

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1

Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large I	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	135.00-151.00 121.50-139.00 121.00-132.75 114.50-125.50 112.50-114.00 Scarce	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	125.00-137.00 120.00-131.00 115.00-124.50 109.00-116.50 101.75-108.00 91.50-96.00
REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 3 yrs to ss, 1050-1400 lbs, 1st to 3rd stage, 875.00-1035.00 per head.		SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 52.00-57.00, high dressing 57.50-60.25, Lean (85-90%) 46.00-52.00, low dressing 42.00-46.00.	
COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 5 yrs to ss, 1050-1400 lbs, baby to 300 lbs calves, 1050.00-1175.00 per pair.		SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1500-2100 lbs, 64.00-71.50, high dressing 73.00-77.00, low dressing 56.00-62.00.	

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts 400; Week ago 400; Year ago 800 Compared to last week, trade slow. Live sales poorly tested. Dressed sales on a grid basis 3.00-4.00 lower. Demand light to moderate. Seller interest light with lower bids.

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<u>STEERS:</u> Few 50-60% Choice 1300 lbs 80.00	STEERS AND HEIFERS: Carcass sales: No Sales.
HEIFERS: No sales	GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid): Choice 3 550-950 lbs few 128.00 132.00. Select 3 550-950 lbs few 123.00-127.00.

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 16,520 (FOB 2300 Delivered 14,220).

Compared to last week, weaner steady. feeder pigs mostly steady.

Moderate demand for moderate supply.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights. Fob the farm, 0.0% negotiated.

2300 head 10 lbs 30.20-33.00 weighted average price 31.40.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights.

Delivered, 0.0% negotiated.

10,557 head 32.24-34.91 weighted average 10 lbs 33.61.

Feeder pigs in all lot sizes. Delivered 4.8% negotiated 763 head 40 lbs 41.00-45.00 weighted average 43.03

2900 head 55 lbs 55.10

MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

Slaughter Receipts
This week 54,000; Week ago 49,000; Year ago 50,000

Slaughter Lambs 2.00 lower, Slaughter Ewes steady.

Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 1-3 35.00-45.00, Cull 1 25.00-35.00.

Feeder Lambs steady-5.00 higher.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 wooled 110-120 lbs 84.00-86.00, 120-140 lbs 86.00-88.00.

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2 60-80 lbs 100.00-110.00, 80-100 lbs 90.00-100.00.

WEEKLY HAY SUMMARY

After a very wet last week, many farmers have pulled back in the fields this week to bale some fall clover and grass hay. Weather has been near perfect in most of the state this summer for grass and pasture growth. About the only exception is some counties in the southwest part of the state, that have missed out on much of the rain during the past month. Luckily temperatures have been below average so many cattle farmers are not feeding hay yet in those areas. The heavy supply of hay this year is starting to put pressure on hay prices. Hay prices this week were reported as steady to 5.00 lower, movement is light to moderate, and supply is heavy. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for both buyers and sellers. To be listed, or for directory, call 1-800-877-4HAY(4429). (All prices per ton unless specified and most reflect delivered prices) Supreme quality Alfalfa(RFV>185) 100.00-140.00 Premium quality Alfalfa(RFV170-180) 80.00-110.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa(RFV130-170) Round bales 30.00-80.00 Small, Big squares and baleage (dry weight) 70.00-100.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 2.50-3.00 per bale 30.00-45.00 per large round bale Fair to good quality Prairie hay 50.00-75.00 Good quality Brome 50.00-85.00 Good quality Timothy Hay 2.50-3.50 per small square bale Good quality Red Clover hay 25.00-60.00 Good quality Mixed Grass hay 20.00-35.00 per round bale 1.25 to 2.50 per small square bale Fair quality large round bales Fescue 10.00-20.00 per bale Wheat hay 50.00-60.00 Wheat straw 1.50-3.00 per small square bale

WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES (DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	201.30	169.50	195.00	63.50
St. Louis	222.50	175.00	197.50	62.50

WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

	<u>CATTLE</u>	<u>HOGS</u>	<u>SHEEP</u>
Week to date	640,000	2,046,000	54,000
Last week	623,000	1,046,000	49,000
Last Year	648,000	1,747,000	50,000
2004 yr. to date	22,047,000	67,642,000	1,790,000
2003 yr. to date	24,491,000	65,575,000	1,895,000

MIDWEST EGG REVIEW

All classes of eggs were unchanged. IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN: Prices paid to producers. (cents per dz.) Large .24-.31, Medium .10-.14, Small .03-.05.

By-Product Feed Prices

Soy Hulls Mexico, MO 70.00, Alfalfa Pellets 17% St Louis, MO 115.00, Distillers Grain dried, Macon, MO 88.00, Corn Gluten Feed pelleted, Decatur, Il 59.00, Brewers Grain pressed 70% moisture, St Louis, MO 34.00. Prices per ton.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .14 to .19 higher, Wheat .04 to .08 higher, Corn Sept .03 lower, others .01 to .02 higher, KC Wheat .03 to .05 higher, Soybean Meal .10 to 5.10 lower. (All price trends approximate ranges).

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	
Soybeans Sep Nov Jan Mar May	622 1/2 620 1/2 625 1/2 631 1/4 632	627 1/4 627 1/4 633 638 1/2 639 3/4	636 1/2 637 1/4 644 1/4 649 3/4 648	627 3/4 628 3/4 635 3/4 642 1/4 642	614 3/4 612 1/4 618 1/2 626 1/2 628	
Wheat Sep Dec Mar May Jul	303 1/4 316 1/4 327 3/4 331 1/2 334	309 3/4 322 3/4 333 337 1/4 339 1/2	317 1/2 330 1/4 341 1/4 344 1/2 346 1/2	311 1/4 322 1/2 333 1/4 337 338 3/4	308 319 329 334 338	
Corn Sep Dec Mar May Jul	224 1/2 235 1/4 243 1/2 249 1/2 254	227 3/4 237 3/4 245 1/4 251 3/4 256 1/2	233 1/2 242 3/4 251 256 1/2 260 3/4	227 3/4 236 1/4 244 1/2 250 1/4 255	223 1/2 231 239 1/4 245 1/4 250	
KC Wheat Sept Dec Mar May Jul	324 336 344 3/4 349 352	329 3/4 342 1/2 350 1/2 355 357 1/2	337 348 3/4 357 1/2 363 1/2 363	329 342 350 357 356	327 1/2 337 3/4 347 1/2 352 1/2 353	
SB Meal Sep Oct Dec Jan Mar	182.70 179.20 180.20 182.20 185.70	180.80 180.00 181.20 182.80 185.90	181.10 179.90 181.90 183.50 186.70	177.70 176.00 177.80 179.80 183.80	174.30 171.50 172.30 174.80 178.80	

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .13 to .65 lower, except Feb .02 higher, Lean Hogs .60 to 1.68 higher, Pork Bellies nearbys 2.35 to 4.60 higher, others .35 to .95 lower, Feeder Cattle 1.35 to 2.70 lower.

Daily Futures Closes

Daily Futures Closes						
	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	
Cattle Aug Oct Dec Feb Apr	84.12 84.42 87.30 87.95 86.35	84.22 84.65 87.45 88.15 86.60	83.07 86.40 87.07 85.45	82.77 86.27 86.92 85.17	82.72 86.05 86.87 84.70	
Lean Hogs Oct Dec Feb Apr May	65.02 62.90 61.57 60.77 61.50	65.97 63.72 62.50 61.50 61.70	66.80 64.37 63.40 62.20 62.00	65.32 63.25 62.45 61.65 62.32	65.40 63.30 62.20 61.30 62.20	
Prk Bel Feb Mar May Jul Aug	93.45 95.30 93.95 95.00 90.00	92.42 92.95 93.55 94.25 90.00	95.15 95.05 93.55 94.25	96.02 95.05 93.55 94.25	96.70 96.65 93.90 94.30	
Fdr Cat Sep Oct Nov Jan Mar	113.35 110.05 109.10 105.15 100.20	112.40 109.42 108.42 104.45 99.95	110.15 107.00 106.32 102.65 99.65	109.62 106.70 106.07 102.50 99.20	109.40 106.25 105.77 102.50 98.70	
Milk Aug Sep Oct	14.00 14.22 12.91	14.00 14.34 12.92	14.00 14.45 13.49	14.03 14.45 13.35	14.50 13.40 12.50	

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .15 lower to .11 higher Wheat .02 lower to .10 higher Corn .02 lower to .07 higher Grain Sorghum .04 to .07 higher

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum	
Kansas City Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.71 6.77 6.87 6.64 6.47	3.24 3.30 3.39 3.32 3.23	2.15 2.18 2.28 2.21 2.16	3.75 3.80 3.89 3.77 3.68	
St. Louis Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.18-6.43 6.38-6.47 6.41-6.50 6.24 6.10-6.16	3.23 3.35 3.41 3.40 3.36	2.32-2.36 2.37-2.40 2.42-2.43 2.38 2.32-2.33	4.10 4.25 4.30 4.23 4.12	
Central Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.11 6.17 6.17-6.47 6.09-6.29 5.92-6.12	3.03 3.10 3.10-3.18 3.09-3.11 3.07-3.10	2.12-2.15 2.10-2.17 2.10-2.36 2.09-2.24 2.11-2.19	3.35 3.41 3.51 3.41 3.32	
S.E. MO Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.11-6.37 6.17-6.37 6.25-6.45 6.17-6.26 6.00-6.08	3.03-3.19 3.15-3.23 3.13-3.30 3.15-3.22 3.16-3.19	2.18-2.25 2.22-2.28 2.27-2.32 2.20-2.25 2.18-2.20	4.01-4.12 4.12-4.16 4.19-4.25 4.08-4.14 4.00-4.05	

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT) *NEW CROP

Northeast Missouri Delivered Saw Logs *								
Doyle Scale			cttnwd	per log	sft mpl	per log	sycmr	per log
	Length	DIB***	avg.	avg.	avg.	avg.	avg.	avg.
	ft.	in.	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF
grade saw	10	12	176.25	7.05	198.50	7.94	174.00	6.96
logs****	10	16	189.25	17.03	380.20	34.22	215.15	19.36
	10	20	219.65	35.14	485.40	77.66	228.20	36.51
	8	16	170.00	12.24	348.61	25.10	187.60	13.51
below grade logs								
Ties	10	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
blocking	8	12	173.15	5.54	183.45	5.87	172.55	5.44
pallet	8	12	172.85	5.53	180.15	5.76	172.55	5.43

*This is a <u>delivered</u> log report. It <u>does not</u> represent or imply prices paid for standing timber on your land. Values of standing timber can vary significantly from delivered due to the following: proximity to solid roads and saw mills, size of offering and proximity to other offerings, land terrain, prevailing conditions, quality, size, density, and species of timber.

Definitions:

** **DIB** = diameter inside bark at small end

*** **MBF** = 1,000 board feet

*** Weighted Average = value of logs at the weighted average board foot price figured at Doyle Scale

Logs = The prices in this report are for logs that are classified as
U.S. Foresty grade one logs and more specifically described by the
DIB and length in the report, as well as by:

 three sides clear • both ends solid • determined to be sound and of good quality by buyer

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